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REMARKS

This Response is offered in reply to the office action of March 28, 2007. A petition and fee for a one (1) month time extension are enclosed.

Applicant appreciates allowance of claims 1, 3-9, 18, 24, 25, 28-34, 43, 44, 46, 48-51, and 53-59.

Claim 11 is rejected under 35 USC 103(a) in view of US 2,486,371 taken with US 5,398,465 and US 5,913,610.

Applicant has canceled claim 11 without prejudice in order to advance prosecution of this application.

The pending claims are believed to be in allowable condition, and action to that end is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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